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BOARD MEETING

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. . . The Board Meeting of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission convened at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, July 27, 1971, at the Wild Life and Fisheries Building, 400 Royal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, Mr. H. G. Wright, Vice-Chairman, presiding.

PRESENT WERE:

H. C. Wright, Vice-Chairman

C. M. Hoffpauer, Director

C. A. Guidry

J. E. Kyle, Jr.

Hobson Norris

J. L. Walker

J. L. Winfree

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A G E N D A

LYLE S. ST. AMANT:

- ✓ 1. Request by LaTerre Co., Inc., for  
renewal of permit to remove fill  
material from Lake Boudreaux.
- ✓ 2. Request by Berry Bros. General

(4)

(5)



to dredge sand and/or fill material  
from Six Mile Lake.

- ✓ 3. Request for bait fishermen to shrimp,  
with special permits, in closed  
season.

(6)

- ✓ 4. Request for permit to dredge fill  
material from Grand Lake in vicinity  
of Cypress Island.

(8)

R. K. YANCEY:

- ✓ 5. Recommendations of 1971-72 waterfowl  
season.

(9)

TED O'NEIL:

- ✓ 6. Discuss bill (H.R. 8784 of the 92nd  
Congress) to prohibit the use of  
steel jaw traps in the United States  
and Europe.

(16)

JOE L. HERRING:

- ✓ 7. Lease agreement with International  
Paper Company for the Cities Service  
WMA.

(21)

- ✓ 8. Establish waterfowl refuge area within  
the Spring Bayou WMA.

(23)



9. Setting of the 1971-72 upland and  
big game hunting seasons.

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THE CHAIRMAN: The meeting will come to  
order. Dr. St. Amant.

DR. ST. AMANT: Gentlemen of the Commission, we have four items on the agenda this morning. The first one is a request by the La-Terre Company for renewal of an existing permit to remove fill material from Lake Boudreaux. This is a permit that has been issued this land company to maintain its boundaries and to stop erosion and it has been in existence and there has been no problem. I would recommend that we extend the permit.

MR. WINFREE: I so move, Mr. Chairman.

MR. GUIDRY: I second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Winfree, seconded by Mr. Guidry. Is there any discussion? Any opposition?

(No response)

THE CHAIRMAN: There being none, so



(REFERENCE)

REPORTER'S NOTE ✓

AGENDA - OTHER BUSINESS

MR. WALKER: Recommendation for establishment  
of Waterfowl Refuge on Toledo Bend. (79)



ordered.

(Text of the resolution  
is here made a part of  
the record.)

BE IT RESOLVED that the  
Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries  
Commission does hereby grant permission  
to LA-TERRE COMPANY, INC., to remove  
fill material from Lake Boudreaux,  
Terrebonne Parish, Sections 69, 70,  
71, 73 and 74 of Township 19 South,  
Range 18 East.

DR. ST. AMANT: The second item is a  
request by Berry Brothers General Contractors to  
dredge for sand and fill material in Six Mile Lake.  
This permit meets all the requirements set forth  
by the Commission, has been examined and will not  
have any effect on the interests of Wild Life and  
Fisheries. I therefore recommend that we grant  
the permit.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you have heard  
the recommendation. What is your pleasure?



MR. KYLE: I so move.

MR. GUIDRY: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Guidry. Is there any discussion? Any opposition?

(No response)

THE CHAIRMAN: So ordered.

(Text of the resolution  
is here made a part of  
the record.)

BE IT RESOLVED that the  
Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries  
Commission does hereby grant permission  
to JAMES P. CRAWFORD FOR BERRY BROTHERS  
GENERAL CONTRACTORS to dredge for sand  
and/or fill material from Six Mile Lake,  
in St. Mary and St. Martin Parishes.

DR. ST. AMANT: The third item is a  
request by the commercial bait fishermen in the  
state for a permit or some relief to allow them to  
take live shrimp for sale to recreational fisher-  
men. This has been examined by our legal department



and also we have a copy of a bill that was prepared to allow for this action that was not placed in the session because it was a fiscal session.

We would recommend that for the remaining part of the season until the third Monday in August that we be allowed to issue specific permits to these people to take live bait, provided they can furnish us with the proper affidavits and bonding that would be necessary to show that they were bona fide commercial bait fishermen and that they would comply with the regulations as we design them. These permits would be automatically cut off in the event that there was no compliance and it would only be for a temporary period between now and the opening of the shrimp season in August.

MR. WINFREE: Would it take a resolution, Mr. Chairman, on something of this nature?

DR. ST. AMANT: I don't know whether it would or not, sir. We are in a position to issue permits, scientific permits and other kinds of permits, and it is possible that we would do this without a resolution. Mr. Duffy might want to





comment on this.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Chairman, I move by staff action that they be allowed to do this, under Dr. St. Amant's supervision.

MR. GUIDRY: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved and seconded that this be done by staff action, under Dr. St. Amant. Any other discussion?

(No response)

THE CHAIRMAN: There being none, so ordered.

DR. ST. AMANT: Item 4 is a request for permit to dredge for fill material in Grand Lake in the vicinity of Cypress Point. This is a request by Tidewater Dredging and Construction Company for dredging of fill material in the vicinity of Cypress Island. This does not conflict with the interests of the Wild Life and Fisheries Commission or the state and it does meet the requirements set forth by the Commission. I would recommend that we issue this permit.

MR. KYLE: I so move.



MR. NORRIS: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Norris. Is there any discussion? Any opposition?

(No response)

THE CHAIRMAN: So ordered.

(Text of the resolution  
is here made a part of  
the record.)

BE IT RESOLVED that the  
Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries  
Commission does hereby grant permission  
to the TIDEWATER DREDGING AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC. of Morgan City,  
Louisiana, to dredge for fill material  
from Grand Lake in the vicinity of  
Cypress Island, in St. Mary and St.  
Martin Parishes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Yancey.

MR. YANCEY: Mr. Chairman and members of  
the Commission, the Department of the Interior will  
establish the waterfowl hunting regulations for  
Louisiana and the Mississippi Flyway during



mid-August and we feel that it would be timely for the Commission at this time to formulate recommendations on seasons and bag limits under which our waterfowl hunters will hunt during the forthcoming season. We might briefly state that last week personnel of the Commission made a low level flight over the prairie region of Western Canada in a single-engine airplane and found that we have an excellent duck crop in the making up there. Now this prairie region covers about 265,000 square miles and it is dotted with potholes and it is in these small water areas that our duck crop is produced.

We found up there that water conditions across Saskatchewan and eastern Alberta and southwestern Manitoba were excellent this year. We found also that cover conditions in these pothole areas were real good this summer. The weather conditions have been good. There has been quite a lot of rainfall during June and early July up there which has assured a sufficient amount of water in these potholes that the birds or ducklings will be



able to get on the wing before these potholes begin to go dry later on this summer. We do feel overall that the duck crop is better than last year and possibly equal to that of 1969, and '69 was the best duck year that we had during the entire decade of the Sixties.

Based on this flight and based on the conversations we had with Canadians who are on the scene up there, we would like to recommend that the Commission in turn recommend to the Department of the Interior that Louisiana be allowed 55 days of duck hunting during the forthcoming season with a general daily bag limit of six. This basically tracks the regulations we had last season, and we would also recommend that these recommendations be submitted personally to the director of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife by the Commission at a meeting which has been previously set up for tomorrow in Washington.

Those are the recommendations, that we convey these recommendations personally to the Director of the Bureau in Washington at a meeting tomorrow and also that we recommend the same season



and bag limits on geese and coots that we had last year.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Chairman, in light of Mr. Yancey's comments, I would suggest that the Director, Mr. Yancey and Mr. Soileau and Mr. Bateman of the Commission staff and Mr. Norris and Mr. Guidry and Mr. Kyle and myself go to Washington and present this to the Department of the Interior in the morning.

THE CHAIRMAN: Are you making that in the form of a motion?

MR. WINFREE: No, I am just putting that as a form of suggestion because I think that's what we should do.

THE CHAIRMAN: I think that is an excellent suggestion, but I think we need a motion on the seasons.

MR. WINFREE: If it's necessary, then I make the motion.

MR. HOFFPAUER: Excuse me, Mr. Winfree, you left out Mr. Clay Wright.

THE CHAIRMAN: No.



MR. WINFREE: Mr. Wright's not going.

MR. HOFFPAUER: I think you should.

MR. WINFREE: I think he should but he said he is not going.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you have heard the recommendations of Mr. Yancey. What is your pleasure?

MR. WALKER: I so move that we adopt a resolution.

THE CHAIRMAN: A resolution?

MR. WALKER: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right, and seconded --

MR. NORRIS: Mr. Winfree has already moved -- I second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, you moved that we ask the Department of the Interior to give us 55 days of duck hunting.

MR. WINFREE: Well, first, Mr. Chairman, I think we should adopt Mr. Yancey's suggestion, and then if it is necessary for a resolution to present to the Department of the Interior, then, of course, that is what I would move.



THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. WINFREE: If it is not necessary, then I just move that we adopt his report. Let's do whatever is to be done.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Winfree, seconded by Mr. Norris. Any opposition to it?

(No response)

THE CHAIRMAN: There being none, so ordered.

MR. YANCEY: What we will do then is draft a resolution, outlining these recommendations, and this will be forwarded by letter, in addition to tomorrow's --

MR. WINFREE: You might want to hand carry it, Mr. Yancey.

MR. YANCEY: I doubt if we have time to hand carry it.

MR. NORRIS: I think we ought to hand carry it and give one to each one of the delegation.

MR. YANCEY: Fine. Last season we had 127,000 duck stamps sold in Louisiana. This was



about 22,000 more than had ever been bought by duck hunters in the state before. Participation in this sport has increased tremendously in the few years.

MR. WINFREE: I think, Mr. Yancey, that you might put that in your whereases, because that is certainly a fine record, I think. You said 22,000 more than ever. And you might also mention that Louisiana, I believe, as was pointed out yesterday by Mr. Walker or someone, is second now in the nation on assistance to Ducks Unlimited.

MR. YANCEY: Right. The overall duck stamp sales in the country were about 2.3 million, which means that the duck hunters as a whole are contributing close to 7 million dollars to waterfowl management. Now this duck stamp revenue goes principally into the acquisition of wetlands which are purchased for the purpose of preserving waterfowl production areas primarily.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Yancey.  
Mr. O'Neil.

MR. O'NEIL: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.





Members of the Board, there is a House Bill 8784 before the 92nd Congress that would ban all use of steel traps in the United States and abroad. In our industry, the fur industry strongly opposes this. We have 5,000 trappers in the state, 125 fur buyers and 25 fur dealers that make a direct income from trapping of fur animals. Most of our fur animals are primarily nutria and muskrat, which have a notorious reproductive capacity and food-consuming capacity. This results in the agriculture people opposing this act very strongly, the sugar cane league and the rice people, cattle people, all over the state.

It is my suggestion that we go on record as opposing H. R. 8784, the banning of steel traps in the state of Louisiana.

MR. HOFFPAUER: Is that 8784, Ted?

MR. O'NEIL: 8784.

THE CHAIRMAN: Right.

MR. KYLE: What is the reason for that?

MR. O'NEIL: I think, Mr. Kyle, the reason for this is the encroachment on the management



people of the United States, the people who manage natural resources for a livelihood, and for management to continue in the field of natural resource development, I think it is an encroachment against them by the ecologist movement, by the people who would like to step in and start with something that they thought they could control, the steel trap first, and I think the next step will be the hunter. Possibly the dog people may say that is a good idea, let's get rid of the steel trap, but they shouldn't do that. The dog people should go along with us because the next step will be against the coon hunting and the dog people.

I think we should start now. We have the fur industry back of us worldwide and we have the agricultural people back of us on this. I think if they were going to pick something to start with on the management people of the state, the game managers, you might say, I think they picked a kind of a bad one. I think they picked one that is going to backfire on them.

MR. WINFREE: What do you suggest, Mr. O'Neil? A resolution from this Board, submitted



to all of our Congressional delegation, and I think it should be aired out by the press to the people of the state of Louisiana and let them become aware of what is going on also.

MR. O'NEIL: I think so. Get it out to everybody we know, to get it out and start now from scratch and let us be the forerunners of the beginning of the turning of the tide against our wildlife management system.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you have heard the proposal by Mr. O'Neil. Do I hear a motion that we have a resolution drawn up, a strongly worded resolution against this bill, and send it to all our Congressional delegation in Washington?

MR. WINFREE: Including the author of the bill, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: And anybody else concerned with it. Do I hear a motion that we do this?

MR. NORRIS: Mr. Chairman, I so move.

MR. KYLE: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Kyle. Any discussion? Any opposition?



(No response)

THE CHAIRMAN: There being none, so ordered.

MR. O'NEIL: Thank you.

THE CHAIRMAN: I would advise that Mr. O'Neil get with the Director and write such a resolution, to be strongly worded.

MR. O'NEIL: Maybe a little stronger than we already have it, now that we've got this.

(Text of the resolution  
is here made a part of  
the record.)

WHEREAS, Louisiana's fur industry, participated in by 5,000 trappers, 125 buyers and 25 fur dealers, producing \$10,000.00 annually, has as its principal furbearers nutria and muskrat, which have notorious reproductive and food-consuming capacities and inhabit 4,000,000 acres of Louisiana marshland and every parish of the state;

WHEREAS, the trapper, the



avant-garde in the settling of this continent, has been most important in the past in establishing and maintaining ownerships and boundaries; and as minerals decline, furbearers and trapping management will again become important for revenue producing and maintaining ownerships;

WHEREAS, trapping has a built-in safeguard against species depletion since trapping is discontinued when the catch drops below a point of profit; cropping maintains a vigorous, healthy animal population, with an ample food supply;

WHEREAS, the population of these furbearers must be constantly controlled (1) to prevent crop depredation in the state's rich sugar cane and rice belts which lie adjacent to the coastal marshes; (2) to prevent marsh and levee erosion and loss of vigorous



stands of vegetation that lessen storm damage to low-lying coast; (3) to prevent occurrence of furbearer diseases that are transmittable to man;

WHEREAS, a large part of the North American and European fur economy is dependent upon Louisiana production (95 percent of the world's supply of nutria, 20 percent of the world's supply of muskrat), which economy is predicated on the continued use of the steel trap; traps, unlike poison bait, have proven selective in predator control;

WHEREAS, House Resolution 8784 and Senate Bill 2084, designed to prohibit the use of steel jaw traps on animals in the United States and abroad, is presently before the 92nd Congress for passage;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission opposes passage in the 92nd



Congress of House Resolution 8784 and Senate Bill 2084, designed to prohibit the use of steel jaw traps on animals in the United States and abroad, due to the impact this would have on Louisiana's fur production and fur economy of the world; and on controlling furbearer population to prevent crop depredation, marsh and levee erosion and furbearer diseases; the steel trap is a selective means of predator control.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Joe Herring.

MR. HERRING: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. We have three items of fish and game on the agenda. The first item is a lease extension from International Paper Company for a period of five years on 1,254.16 acres of land that we have had leased from them as part of our Cities Service Wildlife Management area. This has been a very good area for deer hunting, squirrel, rabbit, dove, waterfowl, quail, and just general recreation.

I would like to recommend to the Commission at this time that we accept this five-year



extension of this particular piece of land.

THE CHAIRMAN: You have heard the recommendation of Mr. Herring. Do I hear any discussion?

MR. NORRIS: I so move.

MR. GUIDRY: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Guidry. Is there any opposition?

(No response)

THE CHAIRMAN: There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution  
is here made a part of  
the record.)

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild  
Life and Fisheries Commission has  
1,254.16 acres of International Paper  
Company land under lease for wildlife  
management purposes, and

WHEREAS, this land is in and  
part of the Commission Cities Service  
Wildlife Management Area located in  
the Swartz-Fairbanks area, and





WHEREAS, Lease Louisiana L/L 37-1 with Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission and International Paper Company is to be extended for a period of five years, through May 31, 1976,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission accept this 1,254.16 acres of land for an additional five years and manage it for wildlife as it has in the past, this area being in and part of the Cities Service Wildlife Management Area.

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next item on the agenda is the establishment of a waterfowl refuge on our Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area in Avoyelles Parish. Spring Bayou has proved to be a good waterfowl hunting area and we feel like with the establishment of this refuge on there that it will assist in holding ducks for the hunters in Spring Bayou and the general surrounding areas.



The area will be described at that land located in Avoyelles Parish as Section 32, Township 2 North, Range 5 East, and consists of 704 acres more or less.

I would like to recommend to the Commission then that we do accept and provide for this refuge area in Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area for waterfowl.

THE CHAIRMAN: You have heard the recommendation of Mr. Herring. Is there any discussion?

MR. NORRIS: Mr. Winfree, will you take over the Chair temporarily and allow Mr. Wright to make this motion?

MR. WINFREE: Is that in accord with the Chair, Mr. Chairman?

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, I would like to make the motion.

MR. WINFREE: You have heard the discussion, gentlemen, of Mr. Herring, relative to the establishment of a waterfowl refuge area within the Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area. I will accept a motion.



MR. WRIGHT: I make the motion.

MR. WALKER: Second.

MR. WINFREE: The motion has been made by Mr. Wright and seconded by Mr. Walker. Gentlemen, is there any discussion?

(No response)

MR. WINFREE: If not, the motion is carried.

(Text of the resolution  
is here made a part of  
the record.)

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild  
Life and Fisheries Commission has  
established a waterfowl refuge on the  
Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana  
Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does  
hereby close the following described  
portion of the Spring Bayou Wildlife  
Management Area for the purpose of  
protecting the waterfowl refuge:

It is located in Avoyelles  
Parish and described as Section 32,



Township 2 North, Range 5 East  
and consists of 704 acres more  
or less.

Clearly visible boundary markers shall  
be erected around the refuge perimeter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that  
the following rules and regulations  
shall apply to the above-mentioned  
area on the Spring Bayou Wildlife  
Management Area:

- A. That the entire area  
described above be closed  
to all types of hunting  
during the waterfowl  
season.
- B. The area be open to other  
types of game when water-  
fowl season is closed.
- C. That the area be open for  
fishing during the whole  
year.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Wright is in the Chair.



MR. WRIGHT: Thank you. Go ahead, Mr. Herring.

MR. HERRING: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. For the sake of brevity we will just more or less hit the major portions of our season setting and request of the recorder that the complete part here be made part of the record thereof.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Herring, before you go into that I think you should bring out the fact that this Commission met in Alexandria last month. For two full long days we took testimony; we had hearings; we had all the police jurors' representatives there from various parishes; we had legislators; we had sporting clubs; we had individuals. We taped all that information. You and your staff went through it. It was furnished to all of us and then the Deer Committee, after your group and your biologists met, we met one whole day in Baton Rouge ten days ago from 9:00 o'clock in the morning until 5:30 that afternoon, and this consensus of what you have come up with has been well perused and everyone has had an opportunity to



listen to it.

MR. HERRING: Thank you, Mr. Winfree.

The first part that we will take will be various species, small game species. We will just read them off all at one time and get those first then.

Quail is recommended November 25 to February 29, with a daily bag limit of 10 and a possession limit of 20.

Rabbit, October 2 to February 29, with a daily bag limit of 8 and a possession limit of 16.

Squirrel, October 2 to January 10, with a daily bag limit of 8 and a possession limit of 16.

The bear season will be closed.

The turkey season will be March 25 to April 16, one gobbler per day, two per season.

The deer season will be discussed from this map that we have.

The archery season for deer will be October 1 to January 9, with certain stipulations being made during the gun season.

That is the species as a whole, Mr. Chairman..



MR. WINFREE: I so move.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Winfree. Do I hear a second?

MR. GUIDRY: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Seconded by Mr. Guidry that we adopt these 1971-72 hunting regulations for small game. Is there any opposition?

(No response)

THE CHAIRMAN: There being none, so ordered.

MR. HERRING: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The next part will be the Wildlife Management Areas of the state. I would like to say there is very little change made in these except a liberalization on most of the seasons. We did come back on many of the game management areas and have a late December or January season. We extended many of them on into waterfowl, dove hunting, quail hunting, and some of the small game species, giving more days to the hunter than we have had in the past. So, with the recommendations as written here and what has been gone over by the Committee, I



would like to recommend that we do accept these.

MR. WINFREE: Now, Mr. Herring, you might point out that on the Fort Polk Reservation area, there are certain restrictions that are placed on the hunter but they are not placed there by this Commission. They are placed there by the U. S. Military.

MR. HERRING: Yes, thank you, Mr. Winfree.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you all have heard the recommendations of the seasons on the Wildlife Management Areas of the state. What is your pleasure?

MR. KYLE: So move.

MR. GUIDRY: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Guidry. Is there any other discussion? Any opposition?

(No response)

THE CHAIRMAN: There being none, so ordered. Let them be entered into the record.

(The recommendations, as approved, are here made a part of the record.)





## 1971-72 SEASON

## WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS SCHEDULE

## RECOMMENDATIONS

DEER: All deer seasons are for legal buck deer only unless otherwise specified.

DAILY PERMITS: When daily permits are required they may be obtained at the permit stations located on or near the wildlife management areas.

SEASON PERMITS: The basic resident hunting license will serve as a season permit on wildlife management areas during the 1971-72 season. No season permit required of persons under 16 or over 60 years of age or non-residents.

TRAPPING PERMITS: Permits to take furbearers except otter from December - February on Wildlife Management Areas may be obtained from the district offices listed below EXCEPT no trapping will be allowed on Alexander State Forest, Fort Polk, Peason Ridge and Zemurray Park; and EXCEPT Biloxi and Wisner where trapping rights are reserved by the



landowners and statewide trapping regulations will be in effect; and EXCEPT Salvador and Pointe au Chien where season dates are December -February . For information pertaining to trapping on Salvador and Pointe au Chien, contact Refuge Division, Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission, 400 Royal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70130.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, including maps, on wildlife management areas may be obtained by writing any Commission District office: P. O. Box 915, Minden 71055; P. O. Box 4004, Ouachita Station, Monroe 71201; P. O. Box 278, Tioga 71477; P. O. Box 426, Ferriday 71334; 1213 North Lakeshore Drive, Lake Charles 70601; P. O. Box 593, Opelousas 70570; P. O. Box 14526, Southeast Station, Baton Rouge 70804; 400 Royal Street, New Orleans, 70130.

THE USE OF DOGS is prohibited except for bird hunting and duck hunting. RECOGNIZABLE BREEDS OF BIRD DOGS AND RETRIEVERS ONLY, PERMITTED IN QUAIL AND MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTING. On those



areas having the experimental rabbit season, beagle hounds only are to be used. The beagle hounds must not exceed 15 inches in height at front shoulder and must have recognizable characteristics of the breed. Dogs on all wildlife management areas prohibited unless otherwise specified.

ALL DEER KILLED ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS, where daily permits are required must be checked out at a deer weighing station. Construction of and hunting from permanent duck blinds and permanent tree stands and the use of tree-climbing spurs is prohibited. All lands within the boundaries of wildlife management areas will have the same season and regulations as the management areas.

IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL to use or to possess within any wildlife management area a rifle larger than .22 caliber or shells for shotguns containing slugs or shot larger than Number 4, EXCEPT when area is open for deer or turkey hunting. (It is unlawful to hunt turkey with rifles at any time.)



THE USE OF ORGANIZED DRIVERS AND STANDERS in which drivers make noises by shouting, whistling, discharging firecrackers, striking objects together, using whistles, horns or other noise-making devices, or the use of vehicles or horses in taking or attempting to take deer on any wildlife management area is prohibited.

NO WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS will open to deer hunting during the early still hunt, EXCEPT BODCAU, CANEY and PEASON RIDGE.

NO FIREARMS PERMITTED ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS DURING CLOSED SEASONS.

CAMPING ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS is allowed only in designated camping areas and DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS WITHIN THESE AREAS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

THE TESTING, RACING OR UNUSUAL MANEUVERING OF VEHICLES is prohibited within Wildlife Management Areas due to property damages resulting in high maintenance costs.

IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL TO USE AIRBOATS ON ALL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS.



1971-72 SEASON  
WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS HUNTING SCHEDULE  
RECOMMENDATIONS

Alexander State Forest:

Deer: November 20-21, Either Sex, Daily  
Permit.

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-October 31,  
Still Hunt Only.

Quail: January 1-February 29.

Woodcock: January 1-28.

Waterfowl: Same as outside season EXCEPT  
no waterfowl hunting during November 20-21.

Biloxi: Same as outside season.

Bodcau:

Deer: Same as outside season EXCEPT still  
hunt only. South half of area (south  
of Louisiana Highway 160 known as Cotton  
Valley-Rocky Mount Road) open for either  
sex deer hunting one day - November 20.

All Small Game: Same as outside season,  
EXCEPT still hunting only.

Bohemia:

Deer: November 20-26, Bucks Only, Daily Permit.



November 27-January 2, Bucks Only.

Rabbit: Same as outside, still hunting only  
EXCEPT the use of beagles to take rabbit  
permitted January 15-February 29.

Waterfowl: Same as outside season.

~~All other Game: Same as outside season.~~

Bonnet Carre: Same as outside season.

Caldwell:

Deer: November 20, Either Sex, Daily Permit  
November 21-24, Bucks Only, Daily Permit  
December 27-January 2, Bucks Only

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-November 14,  
Still hunt only EXCEPT the use of beagles  
to take rabbit permitted January 15-30

Waterfowl: Same as outside EXCEPT no water-  
fowl hunting during November 20-24

Catahoula:

Deer: November 20, 21, 26, 27 and 28, Either  
Sex until 250 deer are taken, remainder  
of five days, if any, bucks only; Daily  
Permit.

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-31, Still  
Hunt Only.



\*Quail: January 1-February 29

\*Woodcock: January 1-28

Dove: Dove hunting permitted only in large plot at the Bear Creek and Amberg road junction.

\*Central fenced area closed to quail and woodcock hunting.

Caney (Middle Fork and Corney)

Deer: November 20, Either Sex. Remainder of season same as outside EXCEPT still hunting only.

All Other Game: Same as outside, EXCEPT still hunting only.

Cities Service:

Deer: November 20, Either Sex, Daily Permit  
November 21, Bucks Only, Daily Permit  
November 22-24, Bucks Only.

December 27-January 2, Bucks Only

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-December 5,  
Still Hunt Only

Quail: February 12-28

Dove: September 4-19



Waterfowl: Same as outside season

Turkey: March 25-26, 1972.

Concordia:

Deer: November 20-24, Either Sex, Daily Permit

December 27-January 2, Bucks Only.

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-November 14,

Still Hunt Only

Waterfowl: Same as outside EXCEPT no waterfowl

hunting during November 20-24

Use of vehicles with tires 900x16 or larger  
prohibited

Evangeline:

Deer: November 20, Either Sex, Daily Permit

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-31, Still

hunt only

Quail: January 1-February 29

Woodcock-January 1-28

Fort Polk:

Deer: \*November 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, Either  
Sex, until 400 deer are taken; remainder  
of five days, if any, bucks only; Daily  
Permit.





**\*\*Daily Permit.** Remainder of deer season same as outside EXCEPT closed during early still hunt on outside season, bucks only.

All Other Game: Same as outside, still hunt only EXCEPT bird dogs allowed for bird hunting and no member of a party engaged in quail hunting shall use or have in his possession a rifle, shotgun slugs or shotgun shells larger than Number 6.

\*Army regulations require hunters to display on their caps, hats or clothing above the waist, a minimum of 64 square inches of hunter red or bright orange while engaged in hunting during the either sex deer season.

**\*\*DAILY MILITARY CLEARANCE REQUIRED** to hunt on area. Available from Provost Marshall Office EXCEPT when clearance can be obtained at Commission daily permit station during either sex deer season.

Georgia Pacific:

Deer: November 20, Either Sex, Daily Permit



November 21-24, Bucks Only

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-November 14,

Still hunt only

Quail: December 18-January 9

Woodcock: December 18-January 9

Turkey: March 25-April 16 (23 days) - Same  
as outside season

The Company Pond Road is treated as a State or  
Parish Road. Hunters may transport guns  
along this road if broken down or encased  
when a gun only season is in progress on  
outside territory.

Jackson-Bienville:

Deer: Nine (9) days, November 20-28, Either  
Sex, Daily Permit.

Squirrel: October 2-November 5. December 4-  
January 9, Still hunt only.

Quail: December 4-February 28.

Woodcock: December 4-January 28.

Lutcher-Moore:

Deer: November 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, Either Sex  
until 100 deer are taken. Remainder of  
five days, if any, to be bucks only.



Daily Permit.

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-31. Still  
hunt only.

Quail: December 1-February 29.

Woodcock: December 1-January 28.

Dove: Same as outside EXCEPT no dove hunting  
during November 20, 21, 26, 27, 28.

Pass-a-Loutre: (Waterfowl Management Area) Water-  
fowl hunting only. All other seasons  
closed. Waterfowl hunting same as outside  
season west of South Pass. Waterfowl  
hunting morning only east of South Pass.  
No special permits required.

Peason Ridge:

Deer: November 6-14, Still hunt only, Bucks  
only, Daily military clearance required.

All Other Game: Same as outside. Still hunt  
only. Daily military clearance available  
locally.

Point-au-Chien:

Deer: November 20-24 and December 27-31,  
Bucks only. Still hunt only. No  
archery deer season.



All Other Game: Same as outside season, still hunt only EXCEPT beagles permitted for rabbit hunting January 15-February 29.

Red Dirt:

Deer: November 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, Either Sex until 225 deer are taken. Remainder of five days, if any, bucks only. Daily Permit.

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-31, Still hunt only.

Quail: January 1-February 29.

Woodcock: January 1-28.

Red River:

Deer: November 20-24, Either Sex, Daily Permit.

December 27-January 9, Bucks only.

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-November 14; Still hunt only.

Dove: Same as outside season EXCEPT no dove hunting during November 20-24.

Quail and Snipe: January 8-February 6.

Woodcock: January 8-28.



Waterfowl: Same as outside season EXCEPT  
no hunting November 20-24.

Use of vehicles with tires 900x16 or larger  
prohibited.

Russell Sage:

Deer: November 20, Either Sex, Daily Permit  
November 21-24, Bucks only, Daily Permit  
December 27-January 2, Bucks only

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-December 5,  
still hunt only. February 12-29, Rabbit  
hunting with beagles only (Experimental).

Waterfowl: Same as outside season

Raccoon: September 11-26, January 22-30, 1972.

Special permit must be obtained from  
District II office in Monroe.

Use of vehicles with tires 900x16 or larger  
prohibited.

Sabine:

Deer: November 20, 21, 26, 27, 28. Either Sex,  
until 50 deer are taken. Remainder of  
five days, if any, bucks only. Daily  
Permit.



Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-31, Still hunt only.

Quail: January 1-February 29

Woodcock: January 1-28

Sabine Island:

~~All seasons same as outside~~ EXCEPT still hunting only for deer.

Sabine Island is located in Calcasieu Parish.

It is bounded on the west by Sabine River, on the north By Cutoff Bayou, on the east and south by Old River and Big Bayou.

Saline:

Deer: November 20-24, Either Sex, Daily Permit.

December 27-January 2 - Bucks only

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-November 14, still hunt.

January 15-23, Rabbit hunting with beagles only (Experimental)

Dove: Same as outside EXCEPT limited to portions of area north of Louisiana Highway 28.

Waterfowl: Same as outside EXCEPT no waterfowl hunting during November 20-24.



Use of vehicles with tires 900x16 or larger prohibited.

Unmarked hogs may be taken at any time during open hunting seasons with gun or bow and arrow. South and East of Highway 28 in fenced area.

**Salvador:**

Deer: November 20-24 and December 27-31, bucks only, still hunt only. No archery deer season.

All Other Game: Same as outside season, still hunt only EXCEPT beagles permitted for rabbit hunting January 15-February 29.

**Soda Lake:**

All Game: Same as outside season.

**Spring Bayou:**

Deer: November 20, Either Sex, Daily Permit

Waterfowl: Same as outside season. Hunting prohibited in refuge area.

Squirrel and Rabbit: Same as outside season, still hunt only. February 19-29, Rabbit hunting with beagles only (Experimental)

Woodcock: January 1-28.



Thistlethwaite:

Deer: November 20-21, Either Sex, Daily

Permit

November 22, 23, 24, bucks only. Daily

Permit

January 7-9, bucks only. Daily permit

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-17, October 30-

November 7. Daily Permit-mornings only;

Bag limit for squirrels 16 per day

(Experimental)

Waterfowl: Same as outside season.

Woodcock: January 1-28.

Three Rivers:

Deer: November 20-24, Either Sex, Daily Permit

December 27-January 9, bucks only.

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-November 14,

still hunt only.

Dove: Same as outside season

Waterfowl: Same as outside season EXCEPT no

waterfowl hunting during November 20-24.

Quail and Snipe: January 8-February 6.

Woodcock: January 8-28.





Use of vehicles with tires 900x16 or larger prohibited.

Union:

Deer: November 20-28, either sex hunting until 150 deer are taken. Remainder of nine days, if any, bucks only. Daily Permit.

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-November 14, still hunt only

Quail: January 1-February 29.

Woodcock: January 1-28

West Bay:

Deer: November 20-24, either sex until 300 deer are taken. Remainder of five days, if any, bucks only. Daily permit.

Squirrel and Rabbit: October 2-November 14, still hunt only.

Quail: November 25-February 29.

Woodcock: November 25-January 28

Wisner:

All Game: Same as outside season

Zemurray Park:

Deer: December 6, 7, 8, any deer. 150



hunters per day. Non-transferrable permits are to be issued by mail and in advance of hunts. Louisiana residents only to be selected at public drawing in Baton Rouge on Wednesday, November 17.

Applicants do not have to be present.

Post card applications must be made by U. S. Mail only, to Fish and Game Division, Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission, P. O. Box 44095, Capitol Station, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804, being postmarked between Saturday, October 9, and Monday, November 8, and received at the above address no later than Friday, November 12. Hunters failure to include big game license number will void his application. Only one application will be considered. State choice with one (1) alternate date.

More than two names per application will automatically void such application.

Duplicate applications by any hunter will void all his applications. No small



game hunting permitted.

Archery: Hunting of deer with bow and arrow permitted each Saturday and Sunday (week-ends) beginning October 2, ending November 14. Daily permit.

#### 1971-72 DEER HUNTING SCHEDULE

- A. Bag: One legal deer per day; five legal deer per season.
- B. Legal buck is defined as a deer with antlers not less than three inches in length. The killing of bucks with antlers less than three inches and doe deer is prohibited except where specifically permitted.
- C. Deer hunting restricted to legal bucks only, except where otherwise specifically permitted.
- D. Either sex deer or any deer is defined as any male or female deer, except spotted fawns which are protected, taken in any area designated and regulated as such.
- E. Still hunting only prohibits the use of dogs for hunting or the training of dogs in areas so designated, including wildlife management



or refuge areas. In all other areas deer hunting will be permitted with or without dogs.

F. All areas not specifically designated as being open are hereby closed.

G. Archery Season: Still hunting only, October 1 - January 9, inclusive. Either sex deer may be taken in all areas declared open for deer hunting, including wildlife management areas. Anywhere a bucks only season is in progress for gun hunting, archery hunters are required to conform to the bucks only regulations, including wildlife management areas. Archery season restricted on Zemurray Park, and prohibited on Pointe-au-Chein and Salvador Wildlife Management Areas. For details, see provisions under wildlife management area schedule. Special bow and arrow regulations: Arrows used for hunting deer shall have well sharpened metal broadhead blades not less than 7/8 inch in width.

The following shall be unlawful:

1. To have in possession any gun while



hunting with bow and arrow during the special bow and arrow deer season.

2. To have in possession or under control while hunting any poisoned or drugged arrows, arrows with explosive tips, or any bow drawn, held or released by mechanical means except as specified by law for amputees.
3. To hunt deer with a bow having a pull less than 30 pounds.
4. All deer or parts thereof shall be tagged as provided by law.

It shall be unlawful to use or to possess within any wildlife management area a rifle larger than .22 caliber or shells for shotguns containing slugs or shot larger than Number 4, EXCEPT when area is open for deer or turkey hunting. (It is unlawful to hunt turkey with rifles at any time.)

#### 1972 TURKEY SCHEDULE

Daily limit one gobbler. Season limit two gobblers, still hunting only. The use of dogs, baiting or rifles in taking or attempting to take



turkeys is illegal. The shooting of turkeys from moving or stationary vehicles of any type is prohibited.

Turkey season open only in the following areas:

~~AREA A:~~ Portions of Union and Morehouse Parishes.

East of Louisiana Highway 549 from Arkansas line to Louisiana Highway 348 at Conway; north of Louisiana Highways 348 and 33 from Conway to Marion; east and north of Louisiana Highways 143 and 2 from Marion to Linville; south of Louisiana Highway 828 from Linville to Bayou DeLoutre; east of Bayou DeLoutre from Louisiana Highway 828 to Louisiana Highway 2; north of Louisiana Highway 2 from Bayou DeLoutre to Louisiana Highway 143, thence east and north of Louisiana Highway 143 to Sterlington to junction of U. S. Highway 165; thence west and north of Louisiana Highway 2 and U. S. Highway 165 to junction of Louisiana Highway 139 at Bastrop; west of Louisiana Highways 139 and 140 from Bastrop to Bonita; west of U. S. Hgy.



165 from Bonita to Arkansas line; EXCEPT the Union Parish Wildlife Management Area. See Wildlife Management Area Schedule for Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management Area.

AREA B: Portions of Madison, Franklin, Catahoula, Concordia, and Tensas Parishes. South of U. S. Highway 80 from the Mississippi River to Louisiana Highway 17, east of Louisiana Highways 17 and 15 from Delhi to Winnsboro to Clayton; and west of U. S. Highway 65 from Clayton to Tallulah.

AREA C: All or portions of East Feliciana; East Baton Rouge; Livingston; St. Helena; Tangipahoa; Washington and St. Tammany Parishes. East of Thompson's Creek from the Mississippi state line to Louisiana Highway 61; east of Louisiana Highway 61 to Louisiana Highway 964; east of Louisiana Highway 964 to Louisiana Highway 64; north of Louisiana Highway 64 to Louisiana Highway 67; east of Louisiana Highway 67 to U. S. Highway 190 at Baton Rouge; north of U. S. Highway 190 from Louisiana Highway 67



to the Amite River; east of Amite River from U. S. Highway 190 to Lake Maurepas; north of Lake Maurepas from Amite River to U. S. Highway 51; and west of U. S. Highway 51 from Lake Maurepas to the junction of Louisiana Highway 10 at Arcola; north of Louisiana Highway 10 from Arcola to Louisiana Highway 450, east of Louisiana Highway 450 to junction of U. S. Highway 190 at Covington; east and north of U. S. Highway 190 to junction of U. S. Highway 90; north of U. S. Highway 90 from junction with U. S. Highway 190 to Mississippi State Line. East of Louisiana Highway 25 from the Mississippi State line to Covington; east and north of U. S. Highway 190 from Covington to the junction of U. S. Highway 90; and north of U. S. Highway 90 from the junction with U. S. Highway 190 to the Mississippi state line.

AREA D: Within Pointe Coupee Parish bounded on the north by Louisiana Highway 1 and to the north Morganza Floodway Levee; on the south by U. S.





Highway 190; on the east by the East Atchafalaya Basin protection levee and on the west by the Atchafalaya River.

AREA E: March 25-31. That portion of East Carroll Parish located in Ward 2, east of the main line (new) Mississippi River levee to the Mississippi River.

MR. HERRING: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The next one will be the description of areas for deer hunting purposes. There have been some changes made on this and I think that the changes are better for the sportsmen.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Herring, I wonder if you could move that map there over this wall over here and everyone can look from over there, and, Mr. Chairman, I suggest you go down through the areas --

MR. HERRING: I tried to find an easel. We had one up in the old conference room and right now no one can locate it so maybe by the next time we need it, we will either have a new one or locate the old easel.



THE CHAIRMAN: I think to expedite time and everything else, if he will just go from Area 1 right on through Area -- what is it, 12?

MR. WINFREE: I think that is a good idea but then if he has that map and he can point to it, we can all see it.

THE CHAIRMAN: And let him explain some of the areas that were merged together.

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, as Mr. Smith points them out, Area No. 1 is virtually the same as it was last year. We are recommending 44 days of hunting. This is 30 days with or without dogs, from November 20 to December 19; 14 days with or without dogs, from December 27 to January 9. It is all or portions of Richland, Madison, Franklin, Tensas, Catahoula, Concordia, Avoyelles, St. Landry, Point Coupee, Livingston, Lafayette, St. Martin, West Baton Rouge, Iberville, Iberia, St. Mary, St. James, St. Tammany, St. John, St. Charles, Tangipahoa, Jefferson, Plaquemines, Lafourche, Ascension, Assumption, Terrebonne and West Feliciana Parishes.



South of U. S. Highway 80 from Mississippi State Line to Delhi. East of Louisiana Highway 17 from Delhi to the junction of Louisiana Highway 4. South and east of Louisiana Highway 4 from the junction of Louisiana Highway 17 to Boeuf River. East of Boeuf, Ouachita and Black Rivers from Louisiana Highway 4 to the Red River. South and east of the Red River from Black River to Louisiana Highway 115. East of Louisiana Highway 115 from Red River to Bunkie. East of U. S. Highway 71 from Bunkie to junction of U. S. Highway 190. South of U. S. Highway 190 from the junction of U. S. Highway 71 to Opelousas. East of U. S. Highway 167 from Opelousas to Lafayette. East of U. S. Highway 90 from Lafayette to New Iberia. South of Louisiana Highway 14 from New Iberia to the Vermilion-Iberville Parish line from Louisiana Highway 14 to the Gulf of Mexico.

Then south of the north shore of Lake Borgne and Lake Pontchartrain from Mississippi South to Tchefuncte River. West of Tchefuncte River from Lake Pontchartrain to Madisonville.



South of Louisiana Highway 22 from Madisonville through Springfield and Sorrento to the Mississippi River in Ascension Parish. West of Mississippi River from Louisiana Highway 22 in Ascension Parish to Thompson's Creek (across Mississippi River). West of Thompson's Creek from Mississippi River to Mississippi State Line. South of Mississippi State Line to Thompson's Creek to Mississippi River. West of Mississippi River and Mississippi State Line from the junction of Mississippi State Line and Mississippi River in West Feliciana Parish to U. S. Highway 80 in Madison Parish.

EXCEPT that portion of St. John Parish south of Pass Manchac from Lake Pontchartrain to U. S. Highway 51. East of U. S. Highway 51 from Pass Manchac to Louisiana Highway 638 (Frenier Beach Road). North of Louisiana Highway 638 from U. S. Highway 51 to Lake Pontchartrain. West of Lake Pontchartrain from Louisiana Highway 638 to Pass Manchac, which will be for STILL HUNTING ONLY.

AND EXCEPT that portion of Plaquemines Parish on the East side of the Mississippi River



from the termination of Louisiana Highway 39 or the northern boundary of Bohemia Wildlife Management Area to the lower end of the parish, on the west side of the Mississippi River to the lower end of the parish, on the west side of the Mississippi River between the Mississippi River Levee and the back levee from Port Sulfur to Empire and from the lower side of Doullut Canal or Empire-Gulf Waterway to the lower end of the parish which shall be STILL HUNTING ONLY.

EITHER SEX HUNTING

Ascension Parish

First day of each segment, November 20 and December 27.

East of the Mississippi River from Darrow to the St. James parish line. North of the St. James parish line from the Mississippi River to the St. John the Baptist Parish line. West of the St. John the Baptist parish line to Blind River. South of Blind River, Petite Amite River and Diversion Channel to Louisiana Highway 22. South of Louisiana Highway 22 from Diversion Channel to Darrow.



Avery Island

Entire 44 day season legal for either sex.

Avoyelles Parish

First two days of season, November 20-21.

South and west of Red River from Louisiana Highway 115 to Lower Old River, west of Atchafalaya River from Lower Old River to Louisiana Highway 1. North and east of Louisiana Highway 1 from Atchafalaya River to Louisiana Highway 115. East of Louisiana Highway 115 to Red River.

Concordia Parish

First five days of the first segment,

November 20-24, in that portion of the parish lying south of U. S. Highway 84.

Madison Parish

Last five days of the first segment,

December 15-19, in all of the parish, south of U. S. Highway 80.

Point Coupee Parish

First three days of season, November 20,

21, 22, for the following areas bounded on the south by the Missouri Pacific Railroad, on the



west by the Atchafalaya River, the west limit floodway levee, Monda Lake, Old River and Old River narrows, and on the north by the Mississippi River and on the east by the Mississippi River and the East Atchafalaya Floodway levee.

Also - South and west of the East Atchafalaya Floodway levee and below Highway 190 to include only Sections 43, 44, 45, 46, 49, 50, 51 in T6S, R8E.

Also - South of Morganza in Sections 53, 52, 51, 50, 49, 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 78, 79, 82 in T4S, R8E and Sections 35 and 43 T4S, R9E.

First seven days of second segment of deer season,  
December 27-January 2.

Bounded on the east by the East Atchafalaya Floodway levee, on the south by the Missouri Pacific Railroad, on the west by the Atchafalaya River, on the north by the north boundary of Lottie Wildlife Protective Association.

Also - South of Morganza in Sections 53, 52, 51, 50, 49, 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 78, 79, 82 in T4S, R8E and Sections 35 and 43 in T4S, R9E.



St. Charles Parish

First day of the first segment, November 20, and first day of the second segment, December 27,  
in all of St. Charles Parish.

St. Martin Parish

First three days of the second segment,  
December 27-29.

That portion of the parish lying south  
of the Iberia Parish line.

Tensas Parish

Ward 1 - Last five days of the first segment,  
December 15-19, and first ten days of  
the second segment, December 27-January 5.

Wards 2 and 5 - First five days of the second  
segment, December 27-31.

Ward 4 - Last five days first segment, Decem-  
ber 15-19; last five days second segment,  
January 5-9.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Chairman, as a member  
of the Deer Committee, I move that Area No. 1 be  
approved.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Winfree, let's go  
through all of them and then approve them all at





once. If there are any changes made, we --

MR. HERRING: There are eleven different portions here on that.

THE CHAIRMAN: What do you think about that, Mr. Winfree?

MR. WINFREE: Whatever you say, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Let's go through the whole works and then we will approve them.

MR. HERRING: Gentlemen, the next area is Area No. 2 for 35 days. I would like to bring to the attention of the group here that what was Area 2 and Area 4, Area 2 consisting of most of North Louisiana, Area 4 consisting of the central portion of the state, those areas have been combined to make one large area. This is one of the goals. Our deer herd management has tried to knock down or keep out as many different areas as we have, and I think this is a great stride in combining some areas this year. There will be nine days still hunting only, from November 6 to 14; 19 days with or without dogs, from November 20 to December 8;



and seven days with or without dogs, December 27 to January 2.

It will be all or parts of Caddo, Bossier, Webster, DeSoto, Bienville, Red River, Natchitoches, Sabine, Winn, Catahoula, LaSalle, Caldwell, Ouachita, Richland, Franklin, West Carroll, Morehouse, Union, Lincoln, Jackson, Claiborne, Grant, Vernon, Rapides, Avoyelles, Evangeline, St. Landry, Allen, Beauregard and Jefferson Davis Parishes.

West of Louisiana Highway 17 from the Arkansas State Line to U. S. Highway 80 at Delhi. North of U. S. Highway 80 from Delhi to Rayville. West of Louisiana Highway 137 and 15 from Rayville to Winnsboro. West and north of Louisiana Highway from Winnsboro to Boeuf River. West of Boeuf, Ouachita and Black Rivers from Louisiana Highway 4 to Red River. North and west of Red River to Louisiana Highway 115. West of Louisiana Highway 115 from Red River to Bunkie. West of Louisiana Highway 29 from Bunkie to Ville Platte. South and west of U. S. Highway 167 from Ville Platte to Opelousas. North of U. S. Highway 190 from Opelousas to Ragley. East of U. S. Highway 171 and



190 from Ragley to the junction of Louisiana Highway 112. South of Louisiana Highway 112 from the junction of U. S. Highway 171 and 190 to Sugartown. South and east of Louisiana Highway 113 from Sugartown to Pitkin. South of Louisiana Highway 113 from Pitkin to Union Hill. East of Louisiana Highway 112 from Union Hill to Hineston. East of Louisiana Highway 28 from Hineston to the junction of Louisiana Highway 465. North of Louisiana Highway 465 from the Junction of Louisiana Highway 28 to Kurthwood. West of Louisiana Highway 117 from Kurthwood to Leesville. North of Louisiana Highway 8 from Leesville to the Texas State Line.

#### EITHER SEX HUNTING

Bienville, Caddo, Claiborne, DeSoto, Rapides, Red River and Vernon Parishes. First day of the second segment of the season, November 20, in all of the above parishes.

Bossier Parish (Barksdale Air Force Base)

First five days of the second and third segments November 20-24 and December 27-31 in Barksdale Air Force Base.



Webster Parish (Louisiana Army Ammunition Plant).

Throughout all three segments of the season within the Louisiana Army Ammunition Plant.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Chairman, the Deer Committee also approve this one. However, I have one suggestion, Joe, and that is, at the start of your description, it wouldn't take much to do that, like say Area 2 as an example, say 22 parishes and then list the parishes so that when a person was reading his regulation, he would know how many parishes fell within that zone, just to simplify it. That's all. When you list the zones, just put the number of parishes that fall in it.

THE CHAIRMAN: 22 parishes in Zone 2.

MR. HERRING: O.K. Area No. 3. 35 days. Nine days still hunting only, November 6-14; 19 days with or without dogs, November 20-December 8, and seven days with or without dogs, December 27-January 2. Parts of Beauregard and Calcasieu Parishes.

South of Bayou Anacoco from the Texas State Line to Louisiana Highway 111. West of Louisiana Highway 111 from Bayou Anacoco to U. S.



Highway 190. South of U. S. Highway 190 from Louisiana Highway 111 to DeRidder. West of Louisiana Highway 27 from DeRidder to Sulphur. North of U. S. Highway 90 from Sulphur to the Texas State Line. East of Sabine River and the Texas State Line from U. S. Highway 90 to Bayou Anacoco.

Area No. 4, 32 days. Nine days still hunting, from November 6-14; 16 days with or without dogs, November 20-December 5; seven days with or without dogs, December 27-January 2. All or portions of Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, St. Helena, Livingston, Tangipahoa, Washington and St. Tammany Parishes.

South and east of Louisiana Highway 67 from the Mississippi State Line to Louisiana Highway 10 at Clinton, south of Louisiana Highway 10 from Clinton to Thompson's Creek, east of Thompson's Creek from Louisiana Highway 10 to the Mississippi River, east of the Mississippi River from Thompson's Creek to Bayou Manchac, north of Bayou Manchac from Mississippi River to U. S. Highway 61. East of U. S. Highway 61 from Bayou Manchac to Louisiana Highway 22. North of Louisiana Highway 22 from



U. S. Highway 61 to Tchefuncte River at Madisonville, east of Tchefuncte River from Louisiana Highway 22 to Lake Pontchartrain. North of Lake Pontchartrain to Mississippi Sound.

EITHER SEX HUNTING

Ascension Parish

First day of the first segment, November 6 and first day of the second segment, November 20.

South of Bayou Manchac and Amite River from U. S. Highway 61 to Louisiana Highway 22. North of Louisiana Highway 22 from Amite River to Sorrento. East of U. S. Highway 61 from Sorrento to Bayou Manchac.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Chairman, in about one minute, let Mr. Herring comment on the anthrax situation down there in Ascension and Iberville relative to the cattle and the effect of the deer and what you have done on it, Mr. Herring.

MR. HERRING: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. As of our meeting then that we had on July 14, meeting with the deer committees and others to discuss some of the seasons, anthrax was brought out



at this time, so immediately I called Dr. Frank Hayes, who is head of the Wildlife Veterinary School, whom we have our contract with out of the University of Georgia. He immediately sent over one of their veterinarians to check on anthrax and ~~he also got in on the VEE which may get into the~~ state. Since we had him over there on anthrax, we decided we would cover both of them.

The veterinarian with our field personnel did cover about three parishes south of Baton Rouge where the anthrax has been in cattle. They visited several of the farms, talked to the farmers there, and also the veterinarian said it was one of the most enlightening trips that he had because he found out that the farmers in Louisiana were just as interested in the deer in that area as they were in the cattle, and so he enjoyed his trip from that point.

But, at this time, there is not any danger of wildlife being affected by anthrax. We found that the deer herds in that area are not to an overcarrying capacity, and usually this is what



happens when deer are involved in anthrax or some other type of disease. Deer are not a carrier of anthrax as much as cattle are, so we are pretty safe in ever getting around, should somebody think that anthrax, or deer are carriers of it and want to destroy some of our deer. They are not but they can contact it where it comes into your cattle herd.

He will give us a complete report on his findings in visiting with the state veterinarians in this area working on anthrax, with the federal veterinarians working on anthrax, and the farmers that he visited, plus the field trips and the woods areas that we covered with our personnel in trying to locate animals that might have had anthrax.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

MR. HERRING: Area No. 5 then, thirty days, 16 days with or without dogs, November 20 to December 5; 14 days with or without dogs, December 27 to January 9. All or portions of East Carroll, West Carroll, Madison and Richland Parishes.

East of Louisiana Highway 17 from the Arkansas State Line to U. S. Highway 80 at Delhi.





North of U. S. Highway 80 from Delhi to the Mississippi State Line and west of the Mississippi State Line from U. S. Highway 80 to the Arkansas State Line.

EITHER SEX HUNTING

Madison Parish

Last five days of the first segment, December 1-5, in all of the parish, north of U. S. Highway 80.

Area No. 6, 39 days. Nine days still hunting only, November 6-14; 23 days with or without dogs, November 20 to December 12; seven days with or without dogs, December 27-January 2.

Portion of Vermilion Parish.

West of the Vermilion-Iberia Parish line from the Gulf of Mexico and Vermilion Bay to Louisiana Highway 14. South of Louisiana Highway 14 from the Vermilion-Iberia Parish line to the Vermilion-Cameron Parish line. East of the Vermilion-Cameron Parish line from Louisiana Highway 14 to the Gulf of Mexico.

EITHER SEX HUNTING

Vermilion Parish.



Four days during the first segment,  
November 6-7, November 13-14.

Area No. 7, eight days. Five days with or without dogs, November 20-24; three days with or without dogs, January 7 through 9.

Portions of St. Landry, Avoyelles and Evangeline Parishes.

South and west of U. S. Highway 71 from the junction of U. S. Highway 71 and U. S. Highway 190 to Bunkie, east of Louisiana Highway 29 from Bunkie to Ville Platte, east of U. S. Highway 167 from Ville Platte to the junction of U. S. Highway 190 at Opelousas, north of U. S. Highway 190 from Opelousas to the junction of U. S. Highway 190 and U. S. Highway 71.

EXCEPT that portion to remain closed which is described as follows: That portion between the Thistlethwaite Wildlife Management Area and Louisiana Highway 359 on the east and north, that portion between Louisiana Highway 10 and the Thistlethwaite WMA on the west, and that portion between the Thistlethwaite WMA and Louisiana Highway 103 on the south.



Area No. 8, 25 days. Nine days still hunt only, November 6-14; 9 days still hunting only, November 20-28; and seven days still hunt only, December 27-January 2.

Portion of Richland and Franklin Parishes. South of U. S. Highway 80 from Rayville to Delhi. West of Louisiana Highway 17 from Delhi to the junction of Louisiana Highway 4. North of Louisiana Highway 4 from the junction of Louisiana Highway 17 to Winnsboro. East of Louisiana Highway 15 from Winnsboro to Archibald. East of Louisiana Highway 137 from Archibald to Rayville.

Area No. 9, 25 days. Nine days still hunting only, from November 6 to 14; 16 days still hunting only, November 20-December 5.

Portions of Vernon, Rapides and Beauregard Parishes.

South of Louisiana Highway 8 from Texas State Line to Leesville. East of Louisiana Highway 117 from Leesville to Kurthwood. South of Louisiana Highway 465 from Kurthwood to Louisiana Highway 28. West of Louisiana Highway 28 and 112 from junction of Louisiana Highway 465 to Union Hill. North and



west of Louisiana Highway 113 from Union Hill to Sugartown. North of Louisiana Highway 112 from Sugartown to junction of U. S. Highway 171 and 190. North of U. S. Highway 190 and U. S. Highway 171 from the junction of Louisiana Highway 112 to Louisiana Highway 111. East of Louisiana Highway 111 from U. S. Highway 190 to Anacoco Bayou. North of Anacoco Bayou from Louisiana Highway 111 to Texas State Line.

#### EITHER SEX HUNTING

##### Rapides and Vernon Parishes

First day of the second segment, November 20.

Area No. 10, 39 days. Nine days still hunting only, November 6-14; 23 days still hunting only, November 20-December 12; seven days still hunting only, December 27-January 2.

All or portions of Beauregard, Allen, Calcasieu, Jefferson Davis, Cameron, Acadia, Lafayette, Vermilion and Iberia Parishes.

West of U. S. Highway 190 from DeRidder to Ragley. South of U. S. Highway 190 from Ragley



to Opelousas. West of U. S. Highway 167 to Opelousas on U. S. Highway 90 at Lafayette. West of U. S. Highway 90 from Lafayette to New Iberia. North of Louisiana Highway 14 from New Iberia to the Vermilion-Cameron Parish Line. West of the Vermilion-Cameron Parish Line from Louisiana Highway 14 to the Gulf of Mexico. Then south and east of the Mermentau River and Lower Mud Lake to Louisiana Highway 82. North and east of Louisiana Highway 82 to Creole and east of Louisiana Highway 27 from Creole to the junction of Louisiana Highway 384. North of Louisiana Highway 384 from the junction of Louisiana Highway 27 to the Intracoastal Waterway (Intracoastal Canal). North and east of the Intracoastal Waterway from Louisiana Highway 384 to the Calcasieu River. West of the Calcasieu River and Calcasieu Lake from the Intracoastal Waterway to the Sabine National Wildlife Refuge north boundary line. East and north of the Sabine National Wildlife Refuge boundary line to the Texas State Line. Then south of U. S. Highway 90 from the Texas State Line to Sulphur. East of Louisiana Highway 27 from Sulphur to DeRidder.



Area No. 11, I would like to comment that this has broken off from Area 1 at the request of many people and also at the request of the field biologists who have checked this area and found that through the hurricanes that we have had in this area, our deer population is down. Area No. 11 is recommended for 18 days, nine days with or without dogs, November 20-28; nine days with or without dogs, December 27-January 4. All of Orleans and St. Bernard Parishes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you have heard the recommendations from Mr. Herring on the deer seasons for Louisiana.

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, could I make one comment? In West Feliciana Parish there, we did put West Feliciana Parish, which through last year had been a part of the Florida parish deer season, it was put into Area 1 this past year, recommended this time, I mean.

THE CHAIRMAN: That was at the request of the sportsmen up there, too, I think.

MR. HERRING: Right. At the request of



sportsmen, police jury, and others, which they have the deer population to go with it.

THE CHAIRMAN: Any further discussion on this deer season?

MR. KYLE: I would like to note that one change made in Area 1 is that Terrebonne is open this year. It has, I think, been closed for the past three years now.

MR. HERRING: Yes, sir, that's right. It has been closed, an area in Terrebonne Parish, has been closed for the past three years. At the request of the Terrebonne Parish Police Jury and several sportsmen groups in that area, we did send a field biologist in. As I recall, there were about five people who thoroughly checked this area. Then we gave the Police Jury a written report on what we found, and from this report we were recommending that we have a deer season in the portion that has been closed, and so we are recommending to the Commission to go ahead and open this area that has been closed for the past three years at this time. Thank you for bringing that up.



THE CHAIRMAN: Any other discussion?  
Do I hear a motion that we adopt these recommendations?

MR. WINFREE: I move, Mr. Chairman, that the areas depicted upon the map and as presented by Mr. Herring and which become part of the record, be adopted.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do I hear a second to that motion?

MR. KYLE: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Motion by Mr. Winfree, seconded by Mr. Kyle. Any further discussion? Any opposition?

(No response)

THE CHAIRMAN: There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution is  
here made a part of the  
record.)

WHEREAS much work has been put  
in by the Commission, interested sports-  
men and biologists in preparing recom-  
mendations for the 1971-72 hunting seasons,





and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held in Alexandria plus other meetings with hunting clubs and Police Juries, civic groups and general correspondence, and

WHEREAS, with all recommendations received and considered for the establishment of the 1971-72 hunting seasons, now,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that these recommendations are approved and made a part of the July 27, 1971, Commission meeting minutes.

MR. KYLE: Mr. Chairman, just for the record, I would like to compliment the Deer Committee and yourself as senior member and chairman on it, for the missionary work that you have done and apparently the hunters of the state are well satisfied, because for the first time in my memory, about six or seven years, we have gotten no opposition or vocal people trying to change what you



have done. I think you have done a good job.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Kyle.

MR. HERRING: And again I would request that the road descriptions and everything that is in here would be a part of the record.

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, that would be a part of the record. And you could also give a copy of that to the press over there.

Any other business to come before the Commission?

MR. KYLE: Mr. Chairman, I think the Director has done a wonderful job on the room and I would, if it is in line with the other Commissioners to so direct him, to remove the post.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you.

MR. WALKER: Mr. Chairman, I have something I would like to bring up before the Commission this morning. I have been requested by the sportsmen's group in Shreveport, The Caddo Sportsmen's Club, that the Commission look into the possibility of establishing a waterfowl refuge on Toledo Bend. I received in the mail this morning a small map of



Toledo Bend and they have marked in red their recommendations, which does not necessarily mean that we have to follow their recommendations. I would like to present this to the Commission and ask that a study be made and a recommendation be made at the next meeting. Also I would like that adequate publicity be given this, especially in the Toledo Bend area, that the possibility of establishing a waterfowl refuge in Toledo Bend is under study by the Commission. If I could present this to Mr. Yancey and let him carry the ball from there, I would appreciate it and ask him to make a recommendation at the next meeting.

THE CHAIRMAN: I take it it is all right with the rest of the Commission.

MR. WINFREE: I would think also, Mr. Chairman, that Mr. Walker might add this, that the Texas people be contacted also because I feel like the line of demarcation in that lake out there without Texas cooperating could cause some problem to us, and I would think, Mr. Chairman, that you would appoint a committee of perhaps two of the



Commission to work with Mr. Yancey on this thing, and I would suggest that Mr. Walker chair it and yourself to be on the committee.

THE CHAIRMAN: The committee will be so appointed.

Any other business to come before the Commission?

MR. KYLE: I move we adjourn.

MR. NORRIS: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Any opposition?

(No response)

THE CHAIRMAN: The meeting is adjourned.

. . . Thereupon, at 10:30 o'clock a.m., Tuesday, July 27, 1971, the meeting was adjourned. . . .

